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Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket #98N-1038, "Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food"

To the FDA:

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I want all irradiated foods to have large, clear labels, including fresh fruits and vegetables. These labels should have the radura symbol and the phrase "treated by radiation" or "treated with irradiation" only. I do not want the misleading terms "cold pasteurization" or "electronic pasteurization," which are deceptive and misleading.

There is considerable evidence that processing by irradiation causes chemical changes in foods that I cannot smell or see. There are no long-term studies on humans fed irradiated foods. Labeling would allow me to decide for myself if I want to choose irradiated foods.

Please retain the labels on irradiated foods.

Sincerely,

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